UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

RAYMOND PRATT,

Case No. 1:15-cv-510

Plaintiff,

Judge Timothy S. Black

Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz

v.

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STATE OF OHIO, et al.,

Defendants.

DECISION AND ENTRY ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Doc. 7)

This case is before the Court pursuant to the Order of General Reference in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio Western Division to United States Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz. Pursuant to such reference, the Magistrate Judge reviewed the pleadings filed with this Court and, on September 16, 2015, submitted a Report and Recommendations. (Doc. 7). No objections were filed.

As required by 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), the Court has reviewed the comprehensive findings of the Magistrate Judge and considered *de novo* all of the filings in this matter. Upon consideration of the foregoing, the Court does determine that such Report and Recommendations should be and is hereby adopted in its entirety. Accordingly:

- 1. The Report and Recommendations (Doc. 7) is **ADOPTED**;
- 2. Plaintiff's Complaint is **DISMISSED** pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1915(e)(2)(B);

- 3. Plaintiff's second motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* is DENIED as moot;
- 4. The Court certifies pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) that an appeal of this Order would not be taken in good faith, and therefore **DENIES** Plaintiff leave to appeal *in forma pauperis*. He remains free, however, to apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the Court of Appeals; and
- 5. The Clerk shall enter judgment accordingly, whereupon this civil action is **TERMINATED** in this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: 10/6/15

Timothy S. Black

United States District Judge